

**Amendment No. 1 to SB0074**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 74**

**House Bill No. 11\***

By deleting Sections 5 and 6 in their entireties and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 5. A child born in a hospital or other birthing facility shall be screened for hearing loss prior to discharge from that facility. The attending health care professional shall refer a child born in a setting other than a hospital or birthing facility to the department of health or an appropriate hearing screening provider as listed in the latest edition of the Directory of Hearing Screening Providers in Tennessee for hearing screening. The hearing screening test shall be provided in accordance with current hearing screening standards established by a nationally recognized organization such as the Joint Committee on Infant Hearing Screening of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the results shall be reported to the department of health.

SECTION 6. The hospital or birthing facility conducting the hearing screening test shall report the results of all hearing screening tests to the department of health who shall refer any child who needs further follow up to the Tennessee Early Intervention System of the department of education. Medical and audiologic providers are required:

(1) To make referrals to the Tennessee Early Intervention System of those children identified with hearing loss or with high risk conditions identified by the standards established by a nationally recognized organization, such as the Joint Committee on Infant Hearing Screening of the American Academy of Pediatrics, that place such children at risk for hearing loss, and

(2) To report all referrals and follow up test results to the department of health.